

REMARKS

Claim 5 is amended. Claims 5-24 remain in the application. In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowability.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 5 is objected to as dependent on a rejected based claim but is otherwise indicated as allowable. This claim has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 1, thus placing it in condition for allowance.

Claims 6-24 are indicated as allowable.

Claims 1-4 have been canceled, without prejudice, to place the application in condition for allowance and to advance prosecution in this matter. Applicant reserves its right to file one or more continuation applications to pursue the canceled subject matter.

In addition, in the present Office Action, the Examiner indicates in the statement of reasons for allowance, a reason that does not use the terminology that appears in Applicant's claims. Applicant submits that its claims are allowable for their recited features which are neither disclosed nor suggested in the references.

Conclusion

1 Applicant submits that all of the claims are in condition for allowance and
2 respectfully requests a Notice of Allowability be issued forthwith. If the Office's
3 next anticipated action is to be anything other than issuance of a Notice of
4 Allowability, Applicant respectfully requests a telephone call for the purpose of
5 scheduling an interview.

6 Respectfully Submitted,

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